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Case No. 659/766
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Gary L. Shanklin

Serial No: 09/753,134

Filed: December 29, 2000

For: ANTIMICROBIAL ABSORBENT
ARTICLE, AND METHODS OF
MAKING AND USING THE SAME

Examiner: Lynda Salvatore

Group Art Unit: 1771

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (37 CFR § 1.114)

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicant requests continued examination under 37 CFR § 1.114.

- ☒ Applicant is:
- ☐ a small entity, verified statement is:
 - ☐ attached
 - ☐ already filed
 - ☒ other than small entity

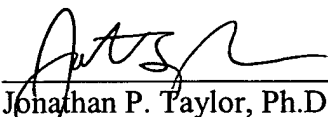
- ☒ The fee set forth in § 1.17(e) must be filed along with this request:

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- ☒ Attached is a check for the § 1.17(e) fee.
- ☐ Charge the § 1.17(e) fee to Deposit Account No. 23-1925.
A duplicate copy of this request is attached.
- ☒ A submission must be filed along with this request. The following submission(s) is(are) filed herewith:
- ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement
- ☒ An Amendment to the written description, claims, or drawings
- ☐ New Arguments and/or New Evidence in Support of Patentability
- ☐ Other: _____
- ☒ A petition and fee for an extension of the time is enclosed herewith.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the additional claims fee is enclosed.
- ☒ Charge any additional fee required or credit for any excess fee paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this request is attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: November 20, 2003



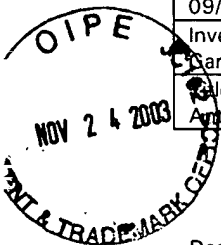
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER			Case No. 659/766
Serial No. 09/753,134	Filing Date December 29, 2000	Examiner Lynda Salvatore	Group Art Unit 1771
Inventor(s) Gary L. Shanklin			
Title of Invention Antimicrobial Absorbent Article, And Methods Of Making And Using The Same			


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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

Transmitted herewith is Request for Continued Examination (2), Amendment and Request for Reconsideration, Declaration with 4 page attached document and return postcard.

- ☐ Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR § 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.
- ☒ Petition for a three month extension of time and check for \$950.
- ☐ No additional fee is required.
- ☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below:


	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra
Total		Minus		
Indep.		Minus		
First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim				

Small Entity	
Rate	Add'l Fee
x \$9 =	
x 43 =	
+ \$145 =	
Total add'l fee	\$

Other Than Small Entity	
Rate	Add'l Fee
x \$18 =	
x \$86 =	
+ \$290 =	
Total add'l fee	\$

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- ☒ A check in the amount of \$770 to cover the RCE filing fee is enclosed.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional filing fees required under 37 CFR § 1.16 and any patent application processing fees under 37 CFR § 1.17 associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☒ I hereby petition under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) for any extension of time required to ensure that this paper is timely filed. Please charge any associated fees which have not otherwise been paid to Deposit Account No. 23-1925. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,


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